# Fort Hood Flight Safety and Standardization Committee Garrison Airfield Operations Board (AOB)

4th Quarter FY 11

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# Fort Hood Flight Safety and Standardization Committee (FHFSSC)

- **Opening Comments:**
- **Introduction – COL Hersey**

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# FHFSSC – Old Business

- **Issue**: Sling Load Weights
- **Discussion**: HISTORY: Ron Deshotel, Ft. Hood Safety, discussed the sling load weights at Flight Strip 41. They are in poor repair and have no record of certification. III Corps has been in the process of getting bids to build sling load weights that meet current building and safety requirements. Funding will be an issue. In all likelihood, user units will have to fund the construction of these weights. Preliminary figures indicated a cost of approx $10,000 to build these weights. This figure does not include special stainless steel hardware that is required for which cost estimates are still due. Ron Deshotel gave a final estimate to build the four weights at $20,000±10% with a build completion time somewhere in Feb 11. The UH-60 community requested another weight be added for hoist operations training. Ron Deshotel agreed to get another estimate for this weight and contact CW5 Green with the new numbers. COL Lamb reviewed and determined that besides yet another delay in construction, the final estimate is already several thousand dollars over the initial estimates and is at the limit of the funds that the 21st Cav Brigade has made available for the project. Ron Deshotel has been given the green light to engage the contract.
- **Status – Open**: Ron Deshotel reported that there have been issues with 2 stainless steel suppliers and he can find no one in the state that can build the hardware to spec. He is currently attempting to find out how Ft. Rucker, Ft. Bragg, and Ft. Campbell obtained their weights and whether or not the weights at these

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- **Issue**: Implementation of the new CARS
- **Discussion**: Are there any Issues to date?
- **Status:**

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- **Issue**: 175 Flight Plans for unit gunnery

- **Discussion**: Though unable to attend, 1st CAV requested that FH 95-1 be changed to allow units conducting aerial gunnery to use their flight operations to fly flight plans. This request is due to the many changes in crews and aircraft during gunnery that are easily tracked by the unit but difficult to make timely corrections with Gray Operations.

- **Status**: **OPEN:** The DAO individuals most involved with flight operations were not present at the last meeting so this issue was tabled until DAO has an opportunity to review and make recommendations.

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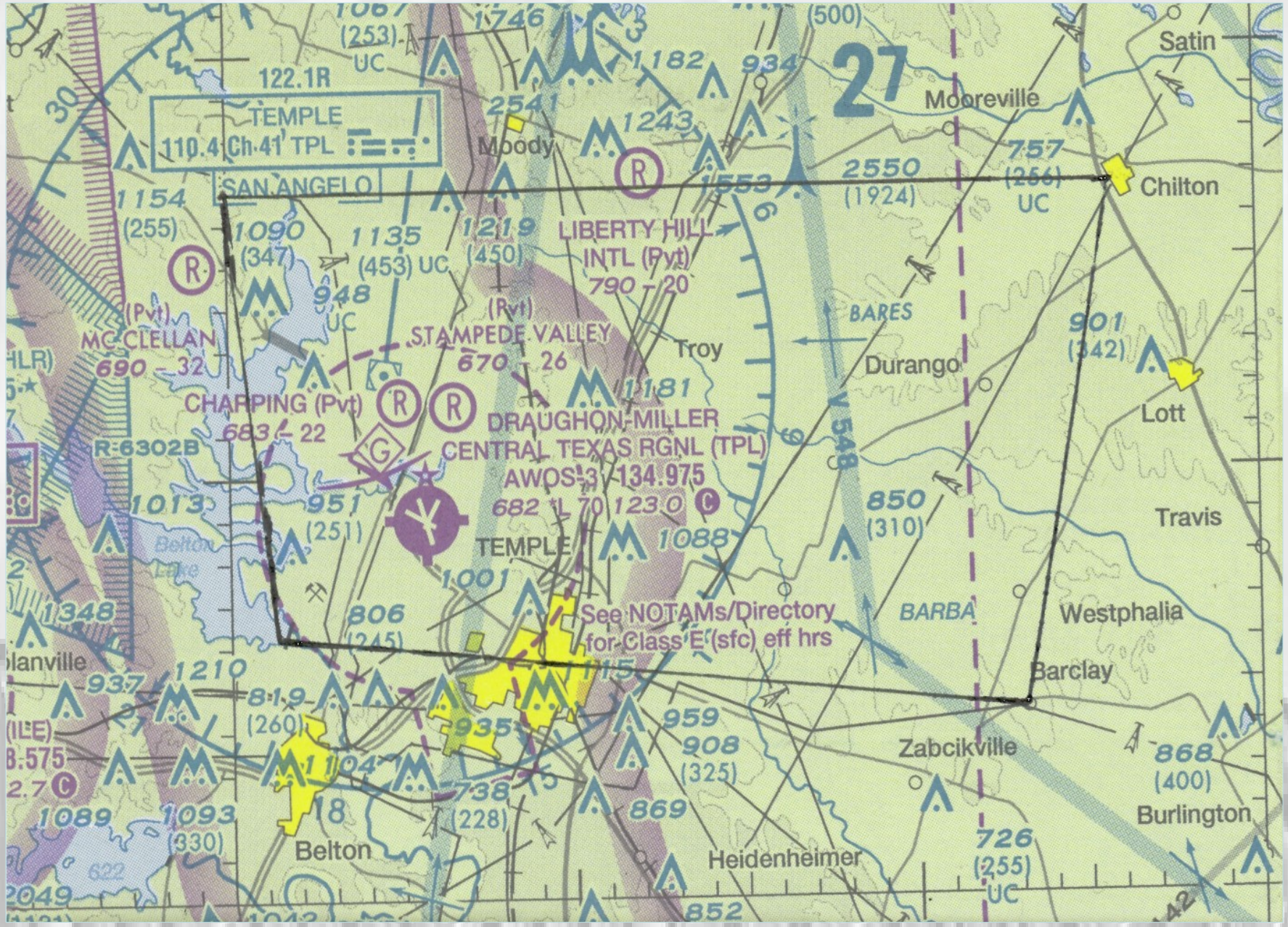
- **Issue**: OLR Temple MTPs fly aircraft that are generally not FM equipped so cannot communicate air to air with army aircraft. They must also fly all the way to Maintenance Test Flight Area III for even the shortest test flights.

- **Discussion**: Bill Oats proposes the following Maintenance Test Flight area be established and recognized and the following paragraph and figure be added to FH 95-1

Para 7-4. Add: "g. Area VII. From the southern tip of Belton Lake dam (31° 06' 97° 28'), north to the northern tip of Belton Lake (31° 17' 97° 30'), due east to Chilton (31° 17' 97° 04'), south to Barclay (31° 04' 97° 07'), then west to the southern tip of Belton Lake dam. Altitude is 1,500 feet MSL and above. Monitor frequency 123.0 due to proximity to TPL airport. Note: Tower 2,550 feet MSL at northern boundary (31° 17' 97° 13')."

- **Status: OPEN:** The Ft. Hood airspace manager, Bob Ulrigg, could not be in attendance so this issue was tabled until recommendations could be made at




Add Figure 7-5. Test flight area VII Monitor 123.0 due to proximity to TPL Note: 2550’ tower at northern boundary

# FHFSSC – New Business

- **Issue**: Radio Calls after hours and weekends at HAAF.

- **Discussion**: HAAF remains within the RGAAF Class D airspace even when the tower is not operational. Technically, aircraft would be required to contact RGAAF tower for movement on and to/from HAAF. It has been accepted that aircraft moving on and flying to/from HAAF using existing numbered corridors need only announce actions and intentions on the HAAF tower frequency as if it were a “Unicom” frequency.

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- **Issue**: Aircraft priorities for hangaring during severe weather.

- **Discussion**: With the upcoming moves between airfields, the LUH coming to Ft. Hood and the UAS/Helicopter mixes, we need to re-think our published hangaring priorities.

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- **Issue**: Flight Strip 22 within a ROZ

- **Discussion**: Flight Strip 22, like FS 41 and 12 may not currently be placed within a ROZ. We have been asked to consider not to exempt FS 22 as it has an adjacent MOUT site that can be used for aviation operations.

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- **Issue**: New “Link” proposals.

- **Discussion**: The following Links are proposed for the Pilot Tools Web Site.
- http://www.usarmyaviation.com – Home of Everything Army Aviation. Sponsored by Ft. Rucker and the Aviation Museum.
- http://www.vaarng.com – Us Army and National Guard Aviation Related Regulations
- https://upw.jtdi.mil – Joint Technical Data Integration (Requires registration and logon) Up-to-Date technical, supply and maintenance info.

# Open Forum

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- Closing Comments

- Per previous minutes, the 4th Quarter FY 11 will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the 2nd month of the appropriate Quarter at 10:00 hrs.

- The next meeting will be held at 10:00 hrs. on Thursday, 10 November 2011 in the classroom of Bldg. 729 on HAAF.